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1. It is believed that Saida Guba (69-14N, 33-14E) has replaced Polyarnyye (69-11N, 33-08E) as the main Soviet submarine base in the Arctic. Four large submarine pens, approximately the same type as found in Bergen and Trondheim, have been constructed at Saida Guba. These are so constructed that the flood and ebb tides have no effect on the depth of the water inside the pens.
2. It is now believed that the Soviets intend to build up Port Vladimir (69-25N, 33-07E) as a naval port. They also intend to change the name of the port, though the new name is not known.
3. There has been little civil construction in the Petsamo (69-34N, 31-14E) district since the war. The population of this district is almost entirely military, and the place itself gives the impression of a large military camp. Most of the buildings are either barracks or huts.
4. A number of new roads have been constructed between Trifona (69-39N, 31-23E) and Ilinakhamari (69-38N, 31-22E). It is believed that a number of coast artillery batteries are located in the mountain northeast of Trifonavaara, facing Petsamo fiord. It is known that the fire brigade station in Petsamo has its vehicles and fire extinguishing apparatus located in a safe place in the Parkkina mountains.
5. The present distribution of military forces in the Salla (approximately 67N, 29E) and adjoining districts is as follows:

a. Janiskoski	Two corps
b. Muutsi (69-00N, 29-02E)	One infantry regiment
c. Iuntsa (67-25N, 30-00E)	Two corps
d. Salla district	One division

The 54th division, formerly stationed in the Salla district, has been replaced by another division, designation unknown.

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6. The work on the railroad from Salla northward continues. This can be followed from the Finnish side of the border because of the noise. That portion of the line extending to Roitto Tunturi (approximately 68°N) has been completed. The line between Murmansk (68-58N, 33-05E) and Ilnakhamari has been finished. This line is for electric locomotives. (See attached sketches)
7. The Arctic seaway (the White Sea Canal?), it is now ascertained, has no branches extending eastwards in the district north of Nautsi. There are no eastward routes before one comes to the area north of Nikkeli.

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